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November 30, 2012

Dear Commissioners,

Thank you very much for supporting our education programs by providing us with a grant in the amount of \$2730 received earlier this year. The microscopes used for our education programs were purchased many years ago and were in great need of repair or replacement. After an extensive search of what is available today, we decided that refurbishment of the old scopes was the most cost effective thing to do. With the funds provided by Fish and Game, we were able to repair our entire fleet of microscopes to excellent condition. Each year, thousands of students attend our field programs during which these microscopes are used. Below are photos of students using the repaired microscopes to view plankton and macroinvertebrates during a field program at Topanga State Beach. We greatly appreciate your support!

Sincerely,

Stephen Vodantis

Stephen Vodantis, Education Program Supervisor



Students using the repaired microscopes to investigate plankton and macroinvertebrates at Topanga State Beach, summer 2012.

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Dear Commissioners,

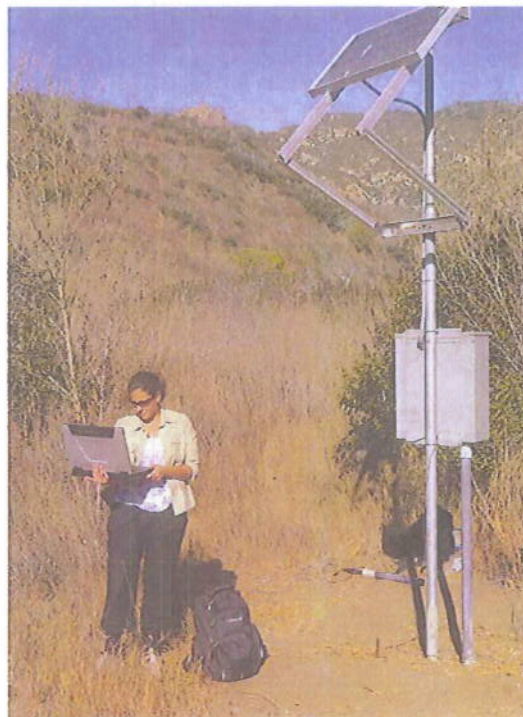
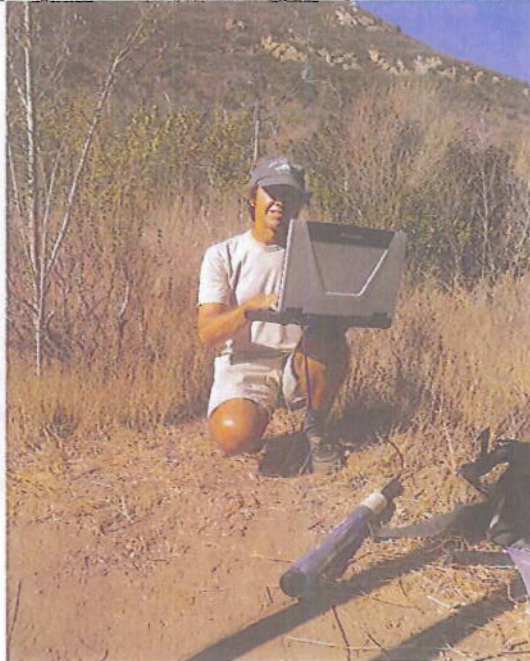
Thank you for providing us with a grant in the amount of \$2500 for the purchase of a new laptop. We have purchased a Panasonic Toughbook CF-52 and accessories, which will support our field-based projects, including water quality monitoring, data collection and analysis for the underwater ultrasound DIDSON camera, and other research on endangered southern steelhead residing in creeks within the Santa Monica Mountains. We have included several photos of our new computer at work in the field! Thank you so much for supporting our research and restoration efforts!

Item	Cost
Panasonic Toughbook CF-52	\$1,829.00
Solid state hard drive and case, USB port adapter	\$240.83
Extra battery & charger	\$216.06
Microsoft Access software	\$118.36
DC adapter	\$6.47
2 TB External hard drive	\$89.28
TOTAL	\$2500.00

Sincerely,

Rosi Dagit, Senior Conservation Biologist

**Stream Team Biologists, Steve Williams and Jenna Krug
use the new laptop to collect water quality data from Malibu Creek!**





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Dear Commissioners,

We would like to express our deepest gratitude to you for providing us with a grant in the amount of \$3,977 to support our water quality monitoring efforts in the Santa Monica Mountains. With the funds, we were able to fix one of our continuously collecting water quality instruments (In-situ Troll 9500) as well as purchase a new RDO sensors (for collecting more accurate and precise dissolved oxygen measurements) and calibration supplies for our water quality testing equipment.

Our primary study sites are home to endangered species including southern steelhead trout and tidewater gobies. It is imperative to the survival of their populations that the water in these locations is of sufficient quality. This summer we documented yet another decline of trout related to high water temperatures, and the sonde data was crucial to that effort. We have included a photo of the sonde equipment deployed in Malibu Creek. Your support of our research and restoration efforts is greatly appreciated!

Item	Cost
RCD WQ Equipment Inventory	\$168.72
In-situ Troll 9500 servicing	\$1469.45
RDO sensor & calibration kit	\$1838.55
Troll 9500 nosecone	\$62.23
Calibration supplies	\$411.67
Batteries for In-situ Troll 9500	\$26.38
TOTAL	\$3977.00

Sincerely,

Rosi Dagit, Senior Conservation Biologist